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## Untangle the Truth About Spiders at Cub Run RECenter

Most people try to avoid touching sticky spider webs. Many people even suffer from an acute fear of these eight-legged insects known commonly as arachnophobia. But on Saturday, September 29, 2007, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., participants at Cub Run RECenter's Spider Spying program in Chantilly will seek out these important arachnids in order to learn more about them.

Children ages three and older with an accompanying adult will share in an exhilarating 45-minute nature hike to find local spider families. The program will explore the unique anatomy of spiders and discuss their efficient hunting tactics. The park naturalist will also discuss spider myths and share the most commonly held spider fears. Should you be scared of Daddy Longlegs? Find out at Cub Run!

Spiders which may be encountered on the hike include house spiders, wolf spiders and orb weavers, which are named for their spiraling, circular shaped webs. Children will get the chance to play with an educational spider puppet.

The cost is \$3 per child and \$2 per adult. Due to limited space, reservations are required. To reserve or obtain more information, call 703-817-9407.

Cub Run RECenter is located at 4630 Stonecroft Blvd. Chantilly, VA.

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